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EMPIRE STATE ASSOCIATION.

The Twenty-Sixth Con-
vention.

IN THE BEAUTIFUL CITY
OF ELMIRA.

The President's Address--
Papers Read--Strong Re-
solutions Adopted--New
Officers, Etc.

The 26th Convention of the Em-
pire State Association of Deaf-
Mutes began its session at the City
Hall, Elmira, N. Y., at precisely
two o'clock on Thursday afternoon,
August 17th.

Invocation by Rev. A. W. Mann,
of Cleveland, O.

As the treasurer was unable to be
present, Mr. Frank Murray was
chosen treasurer *pro tem*.

The following message of greeting
was by the Mayor of Elmira, and
read by Mr. Murray:



ROBERT E. MAYNARD,
Secretary.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
August 17, 1905.

CONVENTION OF DEAF-MUTES:
Gentlemen:—On behalf of the city of
Elmira, I extend to you the good will and
heartiest encouragement of its citizens. You
can be sure that you will find here a wel-
come and a ready assistance to your en-
deavors. I regret that my being absent
from the city prevents me meeting you
personally.

With the best wishes for the success of
your convention, and for the success of each
of you personally, I remain,
Sincerely yours,
W. T. COLEMAN,
Mayor.

(Signed)
After a recess of ten minutes to
record the names of members,
President Hodgson read the follow-
ing address, Rev. Dr. Chamberlain
interpreting orally:

PRESIDENT HODGSON'S ADDRESS.

After a lapse of more than a
quarter of a century, we meet again
in convention in this beautiful city
of Elmira. This convention marks
the culmination of forty years of
useful and important work of the
Empire State Association of Deaf-
Mutes. It is also the 26th conven-
tion since the memorable beginning
in Syracuse, N. Y., in the year
1865.

Our organization has had its trials
and vicissitudes, has at different pe-
riods suffered from the apathy and
lack of encouragement from those
whom it seeks to elevate and in-
spire, but never has the spirit of its
constitution been violated nor the
purposes of its mission been allowed
to lapse; because there have always
been men of public spirit, intelli-
gence and energy, to carry on the
work. And these men, together
and in succession, throughout the
past four decades, have demon-
strated to the public that the deaf have
their place and share in the human
activities upon which the progress
and prosperity of the State and Na-
tion must depend.

The Empire State Association has
consistently combated that pre-
judice, born of misconception, which
assumes that the lack of hearing
is *prima facie* evidence of general

incapacity, both mental and
creative. It has shown by statistics
as well as by the individual examples
of its members, that the deaf are the
equals, and very often the superiors,
in the innumerable avocations of
life which they pursue side by side
with their hearing brethren.

At all of our conventions we find
representatives of the Press, eager
and willing to promulgate a fair and
impartial record of the proceedings;
so that in thousands of business
establishments and homes is read
what must redound to our credit as
intelligent men and women, who by
education and training have risen
superior to the lifelong handicap of
deafness. Thus is the newspaper
our firm ally, as it always is the
guardian of the public weal. The
dissemination of accurate informa-
tion concerning the deaf, must mul-
tiply the avenues of their employ-
ment and enlarge the scope of their
opportunities for usefulness and
advancement.

The State of New York has al-
ways been liberal in its appropria-
tions of money for the educational
needs of the deaf. And this money,
so generously appropriated and wisely
expended, has proved a paying
investment; for it has changed a
class of people from the probability
of being burdens upon private and
public charity into the realized cer-
tainty of educated, intelligent, in-
dustrious, and public-spirited citi-
zens, whose energy and ability is
an asset yielding returns many times
more than commensurate for the
money spent in transforming them.
But, despite this, there are many
who claim, and more who believe,
that the educational institutions of
the deaf belong to the category of
charitable institutions. This Asso-
ciation has time and again pointed
out that deaf children are educated
in special institutions, apart from
hearing children, simply and solely
because their condition of deafness
requires the application of special
methods and training in order to be
of greatest and most lasting benefit.
That these schools are boarding
schools is a necessary incident. The
special and extensive equipment
needed, the specially qualified and
experienced teaching corps, and the
necessity of proper classification,
are among the essentials required to
produce satisfactory results. In a
public speech, President Garfield
once said that the education of the
deaf was an "enlightened selfish-
ness" upon the part of the State.
The centralization idea, embodied in
the Institution system, makes it one
of the State's most practical and
efficient economies. All children,
be they deaf or hearing, are en-
titled to a free education. There-
fore it is a duty of our Asso-
ciation to at all times protest
against the stigma of charity being
placed upon our schools.

The education of the deaf is the
concern of our Association and its
members, and as radically affecting
the interests of the children of this
and coming generations, the methods
employed are of vital importance.
It is the consensus of opinion of the
educated deaf everywhere that the
Eclectic, or Combined System—
which makes use of all that is good
in every method, and proscribes
none—offers a guarantee that the
varied intellectual capacities of all
deaf children shall be properly
educated and developed, and that no
deaf child shall be made to suffer
from an excess of enthusiasm in the
prosecution of any particular method.

The system of industrial educa-
tion, and trades teaching, which has
for more than half a century been a
prominent feature in our educational
institutions is deserving of com-
mendation, and increased attention
to this particular phase of the educa-
tion of the deaf, which fits them to
be independent citizens, the bread-
winners of families, and the pride of
their *alma mater*, is not only very
desirable but would be the policy
of wisdom if exercised by those in
authority.

The ability to speak and to read
the lips is an invaluable acquisition;
but, unfortunately, for all practical
purposes, is an accomplishment
vouchsafed to but a small propor-
tion of the deaf. The pencil and
tablet is the only resort of the great
majority in communicating with the
world of hearing people. But this

method is often too formal and
limited and inconvenient, according
to circumstances. Every deaf per-
son recognizes the value and pleasure
of free intercourse with hearing
friends and acquaintances. The old
idea of having the manual alphabet
printed in text-books of the Public
Schools, has lost none of its excel-
lence. Better still would it be if the
primary classes were taught the
manual alphabet. This may seem
like bringing the mountain to Ma-
homet, but it is really a task that

It would be very much to the ad-
vantage of all the deaf, if each of the
members of this Association would
endeavor to make known, in the
several communities in which they
live, the true condition of the edu-
cated deaf and the educational op-
portunities that are open to all deaf
children. The general public should
know:—

That very young children suffer
from the mistakes of their parents,
who often attribute to stupidity



THEODORE I. LOUNSBURY, President.

could easily be accomplished with-
out loss of time and to the palpable
advantage of all children. Were the
plan adopted by the Department of
Public Instruction, it would most
certainly minimize, if not eradicate
the phonetic spelling which is so pre-
valent among children of the Public
Schools. As a direct result of using
the manual alphabet, it is a rare
thing to find among children of
deaf parents one who can not cor-
rectly spell every word in his voca-
bulary.

At the World's Congress of the
Deaf, held at St. Louis, Mo., last
year, a resolution was formally
adopted which, in substance, de-
clared that the highest educational
interests of the deaf demanded an in-
creased ratio of deaf teachers possess-
ing the requisite intellectual qualifi-
cations. That resolution deserves
our emphatic endorsement. A deaf
teacher makes a profound impres-
sion upon the pupils of a school, for
his very presence suggests to them
that the profession of teaching is
open to those deaf who through
study and industry can attain to the
required intellectual standard. Deaf
teachers and their pupils are drawn
to each other by the sympathy be-
gotten of a common deprivation.
And the properly-fitted deaf teacher
has an intuitive grasp of the mental
difficulties of his pupils, which,
coupled with the fraternal interest
and tireless assiduity that are in-
variably his component characteris-
tics, give an impetus to progress
and a stimulus to effort far and be-
yond what could be produced by
any other agency.

From the time it was founded by
the late Rev. Dr. Thomas Gallaudet,
the Gallaudet Home for Aged and
Infirm Deaf-Mutes, at Wappingers
Falls, has been fostered and assisted,
in varying degrees, by the Empire
State Association of the Deaf. How-
ever divergent the opinions of mem-
bers on topics brought forward at
conventions, there has always been
unanimity of action on the advisa-
bility of helping this worthy char-
ity. It is a handsome, fire-proof
structure, situated on a farm of 156
acres, and at present shelters twenty-
one deaf-mutes, three of whom are
deaf, dumb and blind, while all are
incapacitated by age and infirmity.
The Home has an endowment fund
which goes far towards meeting the
general expenditures, but is not of
itself sufficient to supply the needs
of the establishment. Surely there
is no benevolent institution that has
a stronger claim for systematic giv-
ing on the part of the deaf.

what is really caused by defective,
or total absence of hearing.

That early neglect of such children
may result in irreparable harm.

That all deaf children can be edu-
cated so as to become at least self-
supporting.

That many can be taught to speak
and to read the lips, and that every
Institution in this State, for their
education, has special teachers who
are experts in this line.

That the ability to speak is not of
itself intellectual development.

That those who fall short of
success in speech and lip-reading,
can obtain the mastery of a good
education, and become industrious,
exemplary and wealth-creating citi-
zens.

That the sign-language is to the
deaf what spoken language is to the
hearing, and is one of God's com-
pensating gifts to those who live in
a world of silence.

That there is no such thing as an
"asylum for the deaf and dumb."

That institutions for the deaf are
not charitable or correctional in
character, but are *bona fide* educa-
tional establishments.

That schools for the deaf care for
and develop the mental, moral,
manual and physical being.

That all children, be they deaf,
hearing, or blind, are entitled to a
free education.

That the able-bodied "peddler of
alphabet cards is not a representative
deaf-mute, but one of the few de-
graded exceptions.

That the great majority of the
deaf are independent and successful
wage-earners.

That many of the deaf are in
business for themselves, and have
employees who are able to hear.

That some of the deaf are valued
employees under both the Civil and
the Municipal Government.

That a few of the deaf adorn the
professions, in the capacity of teach-
ers, lawyers, analytical chemists,
authors, editors, ministers of the
gospel, artists and sculptors.

That deafness, *per se*, does not
limit the intellectual capacity.

However indirect the benefit of
spreading such information, there
can be no question but that benefit
will accrue from it. Necessarily
this work devolves upon individuals,
and though no reward may be theirs,

those who come after will reap the
harvest, and there is always satisfac-
tion in knowing that we have done
our best for others and been of such
use in the world that it is richer and
better because we have lived in it.

Reports were made by the Secre-
tary and Treasurer Stowell. The
latter's report was audited by a
Committee—Messrs. A. L. Pach,
T. L. Lounsbury and Henry Kohl-
man—and found correct.

Dr. Thomas F. Fox read the
following paper, entitled—

"BOTH ENDS AGAINST THE MID-
DLER."

It has been noted by a quaint
moralist that mankind are divided
into flocks, and follow their several
bell-wethers without hesitation.
This may be so, but our genial ob-
server probably had not made the
acquaintance of some classes of the
deaf; for if we accept the necessity
of leadership at all, the deaf may be
said, as a rule, to be very indepen-
dent of following the guidance even
of those whom they elect. Never-
theless, it remains true that leaders
of judgment and experience are re-
quisite in every organized body,
otherwise it would be as a ship with-
out a pilot, an army without a gen-
eral—without order or any hope of
success. There must be loyal and
full co-operation to attain satisfac-
tory results, else disagreement and
failure are inevitable.

That associations of the deaf are
invaluable for the objects in view,
is, I presume, accepted by all here.
When we look about us, we cannot
be blind to the evidence on all sides
—that very little is accomplished by
individuals of themselves; all is by
rule and calculated contrivance.
This age of ours is, above every
thing else, one of combination, an
age which with its undivided
strength forwards and practices the
great art of adapting means to ends.
For the simplest operations, some
cunningly abbreviating process is in
readiness. Old modes of exertion
are discredited and thrown aside.
So with individuals; men have lost
faith in mere personal power, and
in natural force, of any kind. No
one now hopes to accomplish much
in a new enterprise without other
aids. He must make interest with
some existing corporation or society;
he is controlled by combinations
and arrangements, by institutions
or associations of one kind or an-
other. In these days, more empha-
tically than ever, one must unite
with a party or make one. This
tendency may be traced in all the
great manifestations of our times;
in its intellectual aspects, its prac-
tical aspects, in the whole of its
spiritual, no less than its mental
activity.

To people living in the midst of
all this, and seeing the faith and
practice of everyone founded on
combination of one sort or other, it
is quite natural that the deaf should
associate together to forward these
movements which particularly bear
upon their own interests. This is
so simple that it appears as if it could
never have been otherwise.

But in conceding this much, we
should be equally candid in acknow-
ledging that this agreement does not
embrace the whole of the deaf.
Upon this question of the utility of
associations some are indifferent,
and among others there is opposi-
tion based upon various grounds,
more or less plausible, as, for in-
stance, the beliefs, real or pretend-
ed, that the deaf form so small a
proportion of the whole population
that their combined influence can
accomplish little or nothing; that
they should be oblivious of their
defect and become one with the
great world of the hearing; that the
leaders have purposes of their own
to serve, and are the sole gainers
from associations. These and like
views prevail, as you know, happily
only among a minority, for were
they general, associations like this
and kindred bodies would not exist.

It happens, then, that there are
three distinct divisions among us;
two may be said to be the extreme
ends, having little in common with
each other, yet more or less opposed
to the middle, in which we find our-
selves as active workers in the As-
sociation. In striving to advance
the interests of the deaf the middle
has always to meet the opposition of
these two ends.

One of these ends includes that
body of the wealthy and those in
high social positions whose lives,
either through their own inclina-
tions, more commonly from the per-
suasion or compulsion of their re-
latives, have nothing in common
with other deaf-mutes; yet there
are to be found honorable and help-
ful exceptions to this rule. These
exceptions aside, we expect nothing
from this class of exclusives, and
lose nothing by their absence. They
are reared to look upon associating
with the deaf as harmful, if not de-
grading, and, since intellectually
they can offer us no assistance in
our societies, we do not miss them,
though we may consider that there
are phases of misery among the
needy deaf, in the Home for the
Aged and Infirm, and in other
charitable work, that have special
claim upon and should receive their
contributions. So far as they con-
cern themselves at all in the matter,
they oppose the purpose of the mid-
dle body who believe in associations
of the deaf.

The middle is occupied by that
large section of the deaf whose sense
of duty and whose natural inclina-
tion is to be of service to others less
fortunate than themselves. This
includes the adult deaf of all classes
who keep in touch with the course

on level; he shows us a truth
which we can see without shifting
our present intellectual position.
The original man stands above us;
he wishes to wrench us from our old
fixtures, and elevate us to a higher
and clearer level; but to quit our
own fixtures, especially if we have
long sat in them with moderate
comfort, is no such easy business.
Accordingly we demur, we resist
and even give battle. We do not
forget the fact that the teacher was
over us in the classroom; we still
suspect that they would be above
us, and we try to persuade ourselves
that they are below us.

But disregarding all thought of
popularity, the teachers and the
ministers, who really have no other
purpose to serve than the uplifting
of their fellows, who devote them-
selves to this task, and putting
aside their own convenience, often
their own interests, come down to
the level of the least and the low-
est, surely they deserve something
better than the suspicion and veiled
criticism, the veiled slander which
is too commonly their lot among
certain classes of the deaf. To the
ordinary eye few things are wonder-
ful that are not distant, and may be,
in this instance, "familiarity breeds
contempt!" At any rate, in some
societies of the deaf it appears to be



FRANK MURRAY, Treasurer.

of events among their kind, have
their social and charitable organiza-
tions, their benevolent societies,
and their clubs, and are not above
acknowledging their deafness and
overcoming it as far as they can.
Here are to be found great and
small characters side by side, the
trained business man, the skilled
artisan, the thoughtful editor, and
humble workman. Here, also, must
be included those whose profes-
sional lives bring them into daily
contact with the deaf of all condi-
tions—the ever-ministering clergy
and the devoted teachers. These
give freely of their advice and com-
fort, and of their own means when
necessary. They wander not apart
but mix warmly in the interests of
the deaf; they are the loyal friends
in misfortune and misery, ever ready
with kind words, the cheery "Cour-
age, brother! times will mend for
the better." Their purpose has at
all times been rather to unite than
divide the deaf, to bring together
conflicting sections and schools, for
they recognize that the true happi-
ness of the adult deaf, when the
day's word is done, is the social
enjoyment to be found in the society
of their fellows.

And as I am doing a little criti-
cism on my own account, it may
not be out of place to direct atten-
tion to an evil that is becoming too
common. Even among enthusiastic
workers in the cause of the deaf
we come across those, who, possess-
ing some fluency in the use of lan-
guage, make it their sport to copy
the errors of their less fortunate
brothers. Mere error in the use of
language is no test of a person's
worth, nor any safe basis for a full
and fair judgment of his general
abilities. It is not by derision, but
by far deeper, more earnest means
that any great benefit has been af-
fected by mankind. When we wit-
ness one of our friends making these
queer errors, such as deaf-mutes
sometimes do make, it should be no
ground for levity. If we admit that
the "humorist" has a con-
scious aim for good as his object,
the still higher praise of having a
noble aim cannot be conceded with-
out many limitations.

In reading the laughable imita-
tions of defective language we are
momentarily amused at the aptness
in copying the errors, the blunder-
ing expressions of those who, in
most other respects, are bright and
successful. The impression left
with the unfamiliar reader, how-
ever, is harmful to the deaf as a
whole. The "humorist" may win
the applause of some, be dubbed
"smart," and "brilliant." But the
careful thinker finds that it is
not brilliancy, but the extreme of
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To the humblest and the weakest

"Neath the all-beholding sun,

That wrong is also done to us,

And they are slaves most base,

Whose love of right is for themselves,

And not for all the race."

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EDGEWOOD PARK, PA.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Allabough entertained at a "Floral Social," on the 17th inst., from eight to eleven. It was certainly a very agreeable affair all around, and those who had the good fortune to be present left with many complimentary expressions of their appreciation. There was a "floral" contest. Each guest was presented a card on which were a number of questions or statements to be answered in the name of some familiar flowers. The last question on the list was "What is a lover likely to say to his sweetheart in a fog?" This "floored" the crowd, although it was apparent enough, given out as "Love-in-a-mist." Mrs. Burt was awarded the prize, which was a neat bunch of roses in water color, tastefully framed.

The luncheon carried out the floral idea. Small flower pots lined with Japanese napkins and filled with candy was "candy tuft" and the salad, green, red and white, was the "dahlia." In short, the whole affair was a "daisy," and everybody went away with a satisfied lot, you may be sure.

Those present were Dr. and Mrs. Burt, Mr. and Mrs. L. Roberts and Miss Iva Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. A. U. Downing, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bards, Miss Candace Yendes, Miss Lillian Yendes, Miss M. M. Toomey, Mr. Ed. Downing, Mr. F. A. Leitner and G. M. Teegarden.

Mr. R. P. McGregor has been the guest of his sister, of the East End, Pittsburgh, the past week. He has been taking in the sights of this great town and meeting old friends, for it must be understood there are a good many Ohio men and women here. We have not heard that he had been "took in" himself, which isn't at all probable, as he cut his eye teeth long ago. Under the guidance of Mr. Leitner, he visited Wilkesburg on Sunday, and saw some of our people. He is just the same entertaining talker as of yore, and told us a good bit about the way they manage the Home in Ohio. Sunday evening, he talked at St. Margaret's Mission, and during the week visited the steel works at Braddock, where Messrs. Sawhill and Friend work in the glow of red hot steel.

We understand that Miss Bessie Greener, daughter of "A. B. G.," will be one of our teachers when school opens again, and by the way, that is only two weeks off. Oh, well, vacations come and go just like anything else. We'll be ready for the "young ideas," however.

G. M. T.

Duration of Digestion.

The times of digestion of different foods are about as follows on an average: Milk, rice, about an hour or less; whipped eggs, barley soup, salmon, trout, about 1 1/2 hours; peas and flesh about two hours or more; sago, 1 1/2 hours; barley, boiled milk, raw eggs, cabbage with vinegar, soup with fat and bread, about two hours; raw milk (Richey), baked eggs, ox liver, 2 1/2 hours; lamb, beans, potatoes, cabbage, hash, 2 1/2 hours; boiled eggs, beefsteak, white bread, ham, beef, fish, mutton, three hours; pork, poultry, veal, brown bread, four hours; salt pork, hard boiled eggs, five hours.—Russell's "Strength and Diet."

Died.

Report comes from North Carolina that Mrs. John C. Miller (nee Fisher, of Ohio) died a few days ago, of pneumonia.

Walter Lewis formerly of Chicago, is now in Milwaukee, Wis. He has been in Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, O., St. Louis, Mo., DeKalb, Ill. Mr. Lewis has been a shoe cutter for fifteen years.

OHIO.

Leslie Oren to Visit his Parents in Oklahoma.

DEAF - MUTES MARRIED.

Buckeye State Happenings.

[News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 993 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.]

August 19, 1905.—The city papers Wednesday, published statements to the effect that Governor Herrick had contributed sufficiently to pay for the passage of Leslie Oren to Oklahoma. The following is the *Citizen's* article. We endeavored to verify the matter, but the Governor was out of the city for the week.

"Leslie Oren, the deaf and dumb and blind prodigy at the Ohio Deaf and Dumb Institution, whose educational accomplishments are considered by many well-informed persons to be the equal of Helen Keller, when his age is taken into account, will soon visit his parents in Oklahoma. Money for the trip has been furnished by Governor Herrick. He will be accompanied by his teacher, Miss Ada Lyon.

DUE TO MENINGITIS.

"Leslie is a grandson of former State Senator Jesse Oren, of Wilmington. The little fellow was born possessed of all his faculties, but after he passed through a serious attack of spinal meningitis, he was deprived of his sight, hearing and speech.

"He was placed in the Institution here, and officers and teachers took great pride in assisting in the development of his little mind, Miss Lyon having special charge. One of the star feats which he performs is writing on a typewriter.

"His father and mother are possessed of all their faculties, and reside on a homestead claim near Oklahoma City. They did not have the money with which to come to see their little son, and friends appealed to Governor Herrick.

ENJOYED OUTING.

"Several weeks ago, Leslie was taken to Morgantown, N. C., by Superintendent J. W. Jones of the Institution, to attend the meeting of the National Instructors of the Deaf. He was the centre of attraction, his performances being considered wonderful. A wealthy couple in Morgantown became attached to the boy, and asked permission of Mr. Jones to take him and his teacher to their country home for a week's outing. This diversion was greatly enjoyed by the little unfortunate."

The *Citizen* of the 16th, had the following in its "The Stroller" column:

"A man and woman, both deaf and dumb, came to the home of an East Side clergyman, and by signs made it known that they wished to be married. The minister objected on the grounds that he didn't know the sign language, but the couple insisted that he 'tie the knot.'"

"After soberly deliberating the matter, the dominie dug out several disciplines, and giving one to each, told them to read over the entire service. Then taking their position on the floor, he read the vows; the mutes following him in their books or reading his lips. To the questions they would solemnly nod acquiescence. Then congratulations were given in utter silence."

A trip to the court house and a search through the marriage records of the probate showed no names familiar to the deaf of Columbus, but these two, Herschel Stanley, 39, and Laura Schrader, 37. The latter's maiden name as given was Green. But court records don't always give the truth. If the persons we have in mind are really those stated above, then they are the same of whom the JOURNAL has heretofore spoken. Stanley's record is known, and the woman is really Mrs. Green, under a former marriage name.

These columns noted the death of Bert Hughes, last January, and now his mother has gone to join him in the Great Beyond. Her death took place last Saturday, at the family residence, Genoa, near Canton. She was aged seventy-one, and her death was due to a complication of diseases incident to old age.

Miss Edith Biggam left Monday for Dayton, on her vacation. From there she will visit Toledo, Detroit, Cleveland and other places before resuming her work in the State Bindery, about October 1st.

When you say "boy" to Wm. Mayer nowadays, it causes smiles to come over his countenance, for he is a "daddy" now, the honors having come upon him in the wee small hours of Sunday. The boy announced his arrival with a hearty cry. Mother and child doing well at last accounts.

Miss Anna Stocker left Wednesday for her home in Sterling, Wayne County and will participate in a

family reunion before returning, in two weeks.

Miss Ada Adair has also gone to her home in Columbiana County for a brief visit, owing to lack of work in the bindery.

The State Emergency Board has granted the trustees authority to use \$2000 from other funds with which to obtain a better water supply.

Principal Patterson gave the inmates of the Home a religious talk last Sunday.

Mr. R. P. McGregor returned on Saturday from a visit to Dayton and Mt. Healthy. At the latter place he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Hoy. He states the change from city to country has had a wonderful effect upon Mrs. Hoy. Their son, Carson, is a bright little fellow, and is the pet of the neighborhood. Mr. Hoy is busy looking after the improvement of his property, house especially, and preparing to engage in poultry raising. Mr. McGregor leaves to-night for a week's visit to relatives in Pittsburgh.

Miss Clara Winton, of Middletown, O., came up last Saturday, and has been alternately the guest of Misses Ethel Zell and Bessie McGregor. Her friends were all glad to see her again, but regret that she is to come to the Michigan people. This morning she left for Vicksburg, Mich., where for the next year she will make her home with an aunt.

Miss Bessie Edgar has gone over near Zanesville to be the guest of Mrs. Laverna Wornstaff, and incidentally to get brown, which is the fad nowadays among Columbus people.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Anthoni, formerly of Delaware, O., but now Hoosiers, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Rice this week. They have come to Delaware to visit early home scenes and relatives. Mrs. Barnes, sister of Mrs. Anthoni, is also a guest of the Rices, and is endeavoring to secure a position in Columbus, to make life for her more congenial than she can find it down in Clermont County, where there are few deaf.

A. B. G.

Fastest Deaf Bricklayer.

Foreman W. T. Young, who is taking charge of paving with brick the streets of Mankato, says that his firm (Fielding and Shepley, of St. Paul, Minn.) have in their employ the fastest paving brick layer in the United States. He is a deaf and dumb man by the name of William Saum. He was born and raised in Cedar Rapids, Ia., and is an old employee of the firm. Mr. Saum has a record of laying 60,000 bricks in ten hours, and spectators are surprised at his clever and fast work.

The firm had a paving contract at Waukegan, Wis., and when the many brick yard men in that town saw Saum at work laying 25,000 bricks a day, they stood aghast. Menominee is one of the largest brick shipping points in the world, and Mr. Young said that every one in that town thought Saum is a wonder. When the laying of brick was commenced a cushion of screened sand one inch and a half thick is first laid on the concrete to make a bed for the brick. After the beds are made, the bricks are laid in courses, each bricklayer takes forty-five courses as he goes across the street, one paver following the other in rotation, starting at the gutter and going clear across the street. When he reaches the other side he goes back again and starts with another course in similar rotation.—*Mankato, Minn., Review.*

Obituary.

Mrs. C. M. Nelson received a message from Atlantic City on Friday afternoon conveying the sad news of the sudden death of her son, Walter H. Nelson. No particulars were given and though he had not been in the best of health lately, nothing of serious nature was anticipated. Mr. Nelson was born and brought up in Poughkeepsie, and went to school at Riverview before entering college. He was married when a young man to a Miss Kent, of Virginia, who survives him, and he leaves also five daughters and one son. Another son, Mandeville Nelson, who died recently, was a student at Riverview about two years ago. Mr. Nelson was a frequent visitor at his mother's home in this city and had many friends here who will greatly regret his death, and will deeply sympathize with his mother in her affliction. He was about fifty-two years of age.—*Poughkeepsie Eagle, August 19.*

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S.

Religious instructions and services are conducted every Sunday afternoon, in the chapel of St. Francis Xavier's College, 30 West 16th Street, New York, under the direction of the Rev. M. R. McCarthy, S. J.

JERSEY CITY.—St. Peter's College Hall: Religious services at 3:30 P.M., on the first Sunday of every month, under the direction of Rev. M. R. McCarthy, S. J.

NEW YORK.

Doings of the Deaf in Fair Gotham.

VISITORS IN TOWN AND BY THE SEA.

The "Journal" Printers See a Ball Game--Other Newsy Items.

News items for this column should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.

A few words of information in a letter or on a postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Dougherty, of Hartford, Conn., for the past two weeks have been vacationing in New Jersey and New York. They spent one week at Atlantic City, N. J., and one week in New York City. While in this city, they visited the nearby resorts, including Coney Island, and saw the many attractions that are to be seen at Luna Park and Dreamland. Before her marriage Mrs. Dougherty was Annie Shea, and attended the St. Joseph's Institute, at Fordham, N. Y., and was an intimate friend of Mrs. Anthony Capelli, nee Carrie Brautigan. It was natural therefore, for her to call on her friend while stopping in this city, and on Wednesday afternoon, with her husband, called on Mrs. Capelli and the children. On Friday afternoon, the 18th inst., Mr. Dougherty took in the ball game between the Giants and Chicago, and Mrs. Dougherty again called to see Mrs. Capelli and bid her goodbye, as on the following day she left for home via Albany day boat.

Mrs. Rachael Goldberg, the wife of one of the best known merchants of the East Side, whose son Samuel is a member of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League, expired suddenly at her country home in Spring Valley, Union County, N. Y., last Friday, at 3 P.M. She had been ailing for several months past with some form of chronic trouble whose exact nature is yet unknown to the writer. The best medical skill was pressed into service, but unfortunately proved of no avail, and surrounded by her family, the noble hearted woman, who was known for her charities to the suffering poor of the East Side, passed into eternity, there to meet her just reward.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Luther Taylor, the deaf-mute twirler of the Giants, the JOURNAL composers were enabled to witness the New York-Chicago baseball game at the Polo Grounds, on Saturday afternoon, August 19th. Mr. Luther Taylor was billed to pitch, and to the disappointment of not only the JOURNAL printers but many deaf fans who anticipated a treat, at the last moment, Wiltse was substituted for Taylor, and the game was won by Chicago 8 to 2. Taylor, although he did play, figured in the game as coach, and during the time that he acted as such kept the audience, about 30,000, in merriment with his antics. Indeed, one recalls the coaching of Latham in Luther Taylor.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Orr was baptized by the Rev. Dr. Chamberlain, on Sunday evening, August 20th. The little one's name is Hazel Emma Antusch Orr, the third Christian name being that of her mother's family. The godmother is an aunt, Mrs. Emma Thalen. After the baptism, a number of relatives and friends enjoyed a bountiful repast at Mr. Orr's apartments in Chestnut Street, Brooklyn, the only deaf guest being Mr. Anthony C. Reiff.

During the removal of Tiffany & Co., from Union Square to their new modern establishment, on Fifth Avenue and 27th Street, Mr. William Liggins, the gold-worker, was laid off for a few days last week. When seen Mr. Liggins said that he thinks the new establishment the finest and best adapted for the purpose, in the world.

Among a hundred or more deaf-mutes at Sea Gate, Coney Island, last Sunday, were Mr. and Mrs. William Riegel, of Riegelsville, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Heller, of Elizabeth, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Price, of Easton, Pa.; Mrs. Mary Lewis, of Albany, N. Y.; and Mrs. Emma Coombs, of Scotch Plains, N. J.

With the approach of the Fall season, the Entertainment Committee of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League has "rolled up its sleeves," ready for the "Campaign of Fun," the crowning event of which will be a banquet to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League.

The New York delegation to the Elmira Convention got back to the city earlier than expected. Among the first to arrive were Messrs. Pach and Lounsbury, Dr. Fox, Messrs. Maynard and Elsworth. Mr. E. A. Hodgson and the rest got home late Saturday night.

Old Fanwoodites who remember Charles D. Newton will be pleased to know that he is still in harness slinging type on a country daily at Owego, N. Y. He still plays ball in that skillful manner he exhibited while a member of the Hudson Baseball team, although he says his batting average is on the wane.

Selma abd el Nour has brought suit in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, against John abd el Nour for a divorce. The couple are Syrians. An old man, who is deaf, dumb and blind, is to figure in the case as witness, but his name is not disclosed.

The employees of the Bradstreet Co., had an outing at Harmony Park, S. I., last Saturday, which was attended by the six deaf-mutes employed there, and who carried off most of the prizes offered in competitive games.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Porter and daughter, and Mrs. Hawkins, of Trenton, N. J., spent Monday last at Coney Island. They stayed over night at the Colonial Hotel in this city, and on Tuesday went to Dunellen, N. J., to visit friends.

The daughter of Mr. Fred Hoffman has been admitted to the New York Hospital. She is suffering from kidney troubles. His second son, Charles Hoffman, is home on a visit from Liberty, Sullivan Co., N. Y.

Mr. Abe Eisenberg is confined at home suffering from a swollen leg, the result of blood poisoning, which he contracted in some manner while with a party of pupils at Thousand Islands, last month.

Miss Sophie Freedman has been staying in Astoria, L. I., with her friends during her two weeks' vacation. She will attend the picnic of the Brooklyn Deaf-Mutes' Club on Saturday.

Nearly all the leading papers contained account of the Elmira Convention. Most of them printed the resolutions, which the association adopted, and which are printed elsewhere in this issue.

The Misses Stemple, of East Stroudsburg, Pa., were at "Dreamland," Coney Island, last Sunday. While there they met Misses Rachel Fenall, Katie Ehrlich, Louisa Kummer and her mother.

Relatives from Boston, of Mr. Max Miller, are paying him a visit consequently. Max is showing them the sights of this great city. Last week, he piloted them to Coney Island.

The Xavier Deaf-Mute Baseball team journeyed to Yonkers last Saturday, and were trounced by the Hollywood Inn team on their field at Dunwoodie, to the tune of 7 to 0.

Mrs. Adolph Reifinger, of Hoboken, went to Buffalo last week to spend a couple of weeks with her brother, Rev. James Bubenhiem.

The next trip of the League of Elect Surds' Fishing Club will be on the 27th inst. The boys had poor luck on the last trip.

Mrs. Chas. LeClerc is vacationing at Port Washington, L. I. Charles goes down Saturday and stays till Monday.

THE FILCHER.

"Who steals my purse steals trash—
But he who filches from me my good name
Robs me of that which neither enriches him,
And makes me poor indeed."—Shakespeare.

It was to smother the filcher's babbling that the following resolutions were adopted at the meeting of the Chicago Division No. 1, of the Fraternal Society of the Deaf, held August 12th:—

WHEREAS, We note with extreme satisfaction that the shafts of calumny fell harmlessly at the feet of our Ex-Grand President, Frank P. Gibson, and that the accusations made against him under cover have never been substantiated with proof;

WHEREAS, It is gratifying indeed to be able to assure our brother members in all divisions of the Fraternal Society of the Deaf that Bro. Gibson has conducted himself and his office in an able and upright manner; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of Chicago Division No. 1 deem it a pleasure as well as a duty to give emphatic expression of their belief in his loyalty; and be it further

Resolved, That we commend Bro. Gibson most heartily and unreservedly for his faithful, upright and able administration of the affairs of the Society, and pledge him our loyal support and confidence.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL and Deaf American for publication.

Respectfully,
G. A. CHRISTENSON,
Gr. Cor. Sec'y.

CHURCH NOTICES.

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY, AUGUST 27TH.

St. Ann's Church, N. Y., 3:15 P.M.
St. Peter's Church, Port Chester, 10:30 A.M. Holy Communion.
Gallaudet Home, 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

CHICAGO.

A Very Interesting Lecture.

SOME SUMMER OUTINGS.

A Budget of Brevities.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Rev. A. W. Mann will preach here again on Sunday, August 27th, at the same place and same time, as always announced before. He wishes to have friends and strangers attend every time he comes, reminding them of the heavy traveling expenses he has to defray so far from his home.

The members of the Literary Circle and friends were greatly interested in a historical lecture which Rev. Mr. Cloud ably delivered on Friday evening, August 11th. In the course of his clear delivery, he related several anecdotes, referring to the most dangerous and daring exploits of Lewis and Clark, who wandered through the unknown wilderness which was inhabited by savages, crossed strange rivers, and climbed over the Rocky Mountains, reaching the grand Pacific Ocean.

It is through the great success of the brave explorers that the vast country of the Far West became a part of the most glorious United States. That is the reason why the Lewis and Clark Exposition was started at Portland, Ore., last May.

Rev. Mr. Cloud received the most hearty congratulations of the whole audience, and a rousing vote of thanks.

It is reported that the members of the Fraternal Society of the Deaf and friends enjoyed a very jolly picnic at Bergmann's Grove yesterday, in spite of the repeated showers.

Miss Annie Weisser returned to her home Tuesday, after having had a delightful visit for two months.

The next monthly meeting of the Circle will be held on Saturday evening, September 30th. Full particulars will be given later.

Our old friend, Oscar H. Regensburg, is visiting in California. Rumor has it that he may return home doubly blessed?

The old friends in Chicago of Mr. Lars M. Larson are greatly rejoiced to hear that he has started his school again after waiting several years. They wish him good luck.

The writer has learned that Mr. Henry Stengele and his family contemplate moving back to New Jersey from Milwaukee, he having received a better offer from a Shoe House in New York City.

The excursion of the deaf-mutes under the auspices of the Pas-a-Pas Club to Michigan City, Ind., was a successful and enjoyable one. They met quite a number of deaf-mute country people, who drove many miles from their farms to greet the excursionists. But their visit was cut within two hours by the departure of the boat, which caused all to regret very much.

The deaf population of Chicago seems to be on the rapid increase according to the latest reports. Father Moeller has gathered statistics carefully, and found over four hundred young Catholic deaf-mutes that need an education. He expects to have a large school built soon for them.

Miss Agnes Menagh and her sister, Belle, are visiting their brother all Summer in Newark, N. J.

Wm. B. Wayman returned from West Virginia some time ago after visiting his sister, Bessie, and her cute twins, for about three weeks. He said: "A most splendid time."

Miss Minnie Gohr was run over by a street car two weeks ago and is lying in a hospital.

Miss Schumacher, of Racine, Wis., stopped here a day or two on her way from Delavan, where she attended the reunion.

Miss Gabler was aroused at midnight last week, and fled out, on account of a fire, which was destroying a shed just back of her home. What a narrow escape!

A deaf-mute lady, whose name escaped my memory, told me last Sunday, that a young man, who pretended to be deaf, tried to collect money from her for some purpose. The impostor, of course, disappeared instantly. He deserves to be tarred and feathered in public.

Miss Anna Kurtz, of LaFayette, Ind., is visiting her four sisters, who live in this city.

Charles Kessler took advantage of the cheap excursion to Niagara Falls by going on to Rochester 40 see his aged parents and friends for two weeks.

Miss Jacoba, Chairman of the committee of entertainments wishes to inform us all through the JOURNAL that she will give a Ribbon social, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society, at the chapel, in September, and offers nice prizes to those who makes the most ingenious or fancy articles from ribbons. Look out for particulars in my next letter.

Frank Zitnik and his bride spent their honeymoon at Algonquin, Ill., for two weeks, instead of South Haven, as they proposed to, in company with their business friends, and enjoyed a stroll along the green banks of the beautiful Fox River, fishing and picking wild flowers. The happy couple declared that they would go there every Summer when they could have a vacation, because they enjoyed themselves so much.

A bright graduate of Gallaudet College wrote: "Instead of their ears, the deaf pick up gems of thought with their fingers."

Joe Jones handed me the following sarcastic piece: "A rather fresh youth aboard of a Wentworth Ave. car the other day, observing a mild-eyed Jap. sitting opposite, decided to have some fun for the amusement of the passengers. So addressing the Jap. he said: 'What sort of a nose are you anyhow?' The Jap. being daunted by nothing, replied 'What sort of a key are you, monkey, donkey or Yankee?'"

Mrs. Frank Holton, of West Pullman, presented her husband with twins recently. Whether Mr. Holton took it philosophically or scratched his head about doubling his living expenses is not stated, but he must have heard of Roosevelt's wonderful speech on the increase of children in families.

A professor wrote to me, "You see as much with your eyes as we see and hear both." I nodded, smiling, and added "Twice," and he laughed.

A deaf girl recited to me the following incident: "A little boy whose mother had forbidden him to do something that he very much wanted to do, walked quietly out of the room. In a few minutes he returned and remarked, 'I have been to ask papa to marry another woman.'"

Albert Bierlein went to Fox Lake with some of his fellow workmen two weeks ago for a few days' jolly outing.

Mrs. Annetta T. Mills, a well-known missionary of the Chefu (China) School for the deaf, will give a talk in the church here some time in September. She is soliciting in this country for her school, and expects to return to China late in the Fall. We will all be glad to see her speak, as she has devoted her whole time to teaching the deaf and ameliorating their condition in China. The writer remembers Mrs. Mills very well and wishes her every success in her most worthy undertaking. She is certainly doing a great labor of love.

Miss Luella Stephens, of Weston, Ill., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Buchan, and will remain two weeks.

Miss Lena Baker, who lost her hearing at nineteen years of age, will be admitted to the Illinois State School in the Fall. She has a fine education, but wants to be well versed in the sign language, so she can mingle with deaf-mutes, enjoy conversations more fluently, and attend services or lectures oftener than otherwise.

Dr. and Mrs. Dougherty returned home yesterday from South Haven, Mich., where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Colby for a week. They had a most splendid visit. They said Mrs. Colby had intended to go to Joliet, Ill., but one of her daughters was taken ill.

Mrs. Knoblock, of Milwaukee, Wis., will come to Mrs. Chas. Sullivan's this week, and can be seen at church next Sunday.

S. H. HOWARD,
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Brooklyn Guild Meetings.

It meets the first Thursday of each month, except July and August, at 8 P.M., in St. Mark's Chapel, Adelphi Street, near De Kalb Avenue, Brooklyn.

1905.
Sept. 14—Guild Meeting.
Oct. 5—Guild Meeting.
19—Entertainment.
Nov. 2—Guild Meeting.
16—Entertainment.
Dec. 7—Guild Meeting.
25—Entertainment.

1906.
Jan. 11—Guild Meeting.
18—Entertainment.
Feb. 1—Guild Meeting.
15—Entertainment.
Nov. 1—Guild Meeting.
15—Entertainment.
April 5—Guild Meeting.
19—Entertainment.
May 3—Guild Meeting.
17—Entertainment.
June 7—Guild Meeting.
14—Entertainment.

SPECIAL DAYS.

Feb. 28, 1906—Ash Wednesday.
April 3, 1906—Good Friday.
15, 1906—Easter Sunday.

H. L. JUHRING,
President.
Wm. G. GILBERT,
Rec. Secretary.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.

Rev. Ralph W. Keeler, Pastor of the Goodsell Methodist Episcopal Church, Sheridan and McKinley Avenues, Brooklyn, will hold religious services in the sign language for deaf-mutes, every Sunday afternoon at a quarter past four.

Empire State Association

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expertness that we recognize; not strength, so much as mental agility; not depth but superficial extent. The surprising ability to copy others seems rather the combination of many talents, than the exercise of any finer or nobler ones, for the want of earnestness is fatal. The safer course for those who see error in the language of others is to consider their limitations, to remember that circumstances beyond the control of the victim have robbed him of the power of correctly expressing his ideas.

A third group fills the opposite end of our picture. For them nothing good comes out of Nazareth; the blind or purblind man "travel from Dan to Beersheba, and finds it all barren." This class may be said to include people not wholly indifferent to their fellows, but who, offering little help, assume the prerogative of pointing out, rather acrimoniously, what they consider the errors of omission and commission of those who struggle in the open. Here are to be found not a few of high culture, possessing the mental training and the ability to be of great service in educating the public regarding the powers, possibilities, and limitations resulting from deafness. It has aptly been said that, there are two things that can reach the top of a pyramid, the eagle and the reptile, and we may surmise how the critics of associations attain their positions of prominence among the deaf, even if their standards be questionable. The critic of this type has the eye of a lynx for the small faults and failings of his fellows; he sees deeper at the first glance than another, but no second glance is given. Thus truth which, from of old, has been said to live in a well, remains for the most part hidden from him, if we take the highest species of truth. For this does not reveal itself without quite another sort of meditation than is common to the mere critical fault-finder. In fact, the deductions of such a person are uniformly of an argumentative practical nature; often true, it must be admitted, so far, as they go, but not the whole truth, and false when taken for the whole.

His task is not one of affirmation, but of denial; not a task of erecting and rearing up, which is slow and laborious, but of pulling down, which is rapid and far easier. The force necessary for him is in no wise a great and noble one, but a small, in many respects a mean one to be nimble and seasonably put in use. The temple which it has employed many wise heads and strong hands a lifetime to build, can be unbuilt by a madman in an hour. But it is pleasant to remember that all that is good cannot pass away. The burning of a little straw may hide the stars of the sky, but the stars are there and will reappear.

A glow of real enthusiasm and love of truth, however basely alloyed, may animate the minds of the destroyers, as they view what appears to them persistent seekers for place and power. This little glow, so contaminated with pride, really reacts upon themselves in the end, so that their delight can be no pure delight. The distinction they gain is no sure test of merit. Often it is but a false glare, lending the manifold sparkle of the diamond to pebbles of no value. We are too apt to lose sight of plain truths, but least of all can it become us to "follow the multitude to do evil"; on the contrary it behooves us to lift up our voices, to employ our pens, against the common delusions which exist regarding the deaf; from which, if we can save, or help to save, our brothers, our endeavors will have been repaid.

Considerable discussion followed, which was participated in by Rev. Charles Orvis Dantzer, Messrs. A. L. Pach, T. I. Lounsbury, Dr. Fox, Revs. James H. Cloud, Austin W. Mann, Mr. Frank Murray, and Mr. R. E. Maynard.

The President appointed the following Committees:—

Committee on Enrollment—Frank Murray, Alex. L. Pach, T. I. Lounsbury.

Committee on Nominations—E. P. Wood, Joseph Lever, A. C. Bachrach.

Committee on Resolutions—Dr. T. F. Fox, Frank Murray, Ralph M. Lawton.

The Elmira Advertiser gave the following report of the religious service held in Grace Church:

The religious interests of the deaf-mutes are receiving attention from the 26th convention of the Empire State Association of Deaf-Mutes, now being held in Elmira. The service of welcome was held last evening at 8 o'clock in Grace Church and was attended by a number of visitors, as well as by the deaf-mutes themselves.

A religion adequate for all men was especially demonstrated at this opening service when Grace Church opened its doors to the deaf-mute convention and, with the Bishop of the diocese present, conducted the Prayer book service for deaf-mutes

with no irregularities in rubric or doctrine.

Besides the evening prayer service, a baptism was also held and an address of welcome given by Bishop Charles Tyler Olmsted, of Utica.

In the processional, the following clergymen were seen: The Rev. Harry Van Allen, Utica, N. Y.; the Rev. John Chamberlain, D. D., New York City; the Rev. O. J. Whildin, Baltimore, Md.; the Rev. F. C. Smielan, Williamsport, Pa.; the Rev. A. B. Rudd, rector of Grace Church; the Rev. A. W. Mann, Cleveland, O.; the Rev. J. H. Cloud, St. Louis, Mo.; the Rev. C. O. Dantzer, Philadelphia, Pa.

The service was read aloud by Rev. John Chamberlain. The Rev. Harry Van Allen interpreted the service and scripture in the deaf-mute signs. The Rev. A. W. Mann is the oldest of the deaf clergymen. He was ordained 35 years ago.

The Rev. C. O. Dantzer, of All Souls' Church, Philadelphia, baptized the infant, Walter Alfred Murray, assisted by Rev. A. B. Rudd. The preacher was the Rev. J. H. Cloud, of St. Louis. His entire sermon was given in the deaf-mute language and was closely followed by all present. Rev. Cloud had no interpreter and those not acquainted with the signs were left in the dark as to what he had to say. By the gesticulations and the intelligent bearing of the minister it was evident that a very forceful sermon was delivered.

Preceding the sermon Bishop Olmsted spoke for about five minutes, welcoming the delegates to this Episcopal diocese.

Bishop Olmsted said that he appreciated the religious work being done by the deaf-mutes all over the country and especially in this diocese, where there are several energetic missionaries.

While there are scarcely enough deaf and dumb people in the country for all the divisions of Christendom to furnish missionaries, it is usually felt that the Episcopal Church, by its liturgy, prayers, postures and gestures of the ministers and the ritual, kneeling and sitting of the congregation taking a visible part in the worship, is able particularly to minister to the spiritual needs of deaf-mutes, and, therefore, presents a fine opportunity for deaf people to unite. The prayer book seems to provide a nucleus around which all deaf-mutes may congregate, but the work now being carried on may be improved and extended. That its extension may be carried on, the present convention will hold a religious conference and talk up ways and means.

Bishop Olmsted at the close of his remarks gave a most hearty welcome to the convention.

FRIDAY MORNING.

President Hodgson called the Convention to order at ten o'clock. Prayer was offered by Rev. James H. Cloud, of St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. Alex. L. Pach's paper was read orally by Dr. Fox and in signs by the author:

"KNOCKING AND KNOCKERS."

Some one made the statement not long ago that this world was made up of "Knockers and people who get knocked." While, of course, the slangy terms in which the phrase is couched is not to be commended too strongly, yet the sense it conveys is really worth while.

My little talk on the subject, of course, is merely narrowed to a comparison of a few things having more or less of a bearing on the Deaf World—the world we move in.

For it cannot be gainsaid that we who are deaf do live in a restricted world if we are among the Ninety and Nine of the deaf.

I would not, under any circumstances, or combination of circumstances be in the "hundredth" class, for where is there a more pitiable creature than the deaf man, who, of his own volition, and for real or fancied causes, disappears from the circle he has been wont to move in, and flocks by himself?

In every case I have had experience with, the exile keeps it up so long that he gets ashamed of himself and gives in, or he gets ashamed of himself and refuses to give in. In the former case confession is good for the soul, and in the latter case obstinacy gives place to reason, and ends by making a pessimistic misanthrope or a misanthropic pessimist.

But to the "Knockers!" There are about ten of them to a hundred who "get knocked"—sometimes the average does not run so high, but it never exceeds it.

The "Knocker" does things, or he sets the machinery in motion and the "Knockee" (as I shall term the fellow who gets "knocked") either falls in line and helps, or he falls out and kicks, but under any and under all circumstances he gets "knocked."

The "Knocker" plans a birthday celebration for some fellow "knocker" or fellow "knockee," and it goes through with a hurrah; one man, or two men or three men "tap," and the other fellows get "tapped," but don't make any mistake—the knocker puts up just as much as his fellows and works a

great deal harder—add to that, he has to take the "kicks," for bless your heart, the "army of knocked" never does anything on its own initiative, except—kick.

If you can't knock, don't kick, for you haven't any valid ground.

The philosopher of East Aurora, this State, in one of his recent bursts of witty epigrams gave this gem to literature: "The world reserves its big prizes for initiative. Initiative is the art of doing the right thing without being told. Next to initiative is doing the right thing after being told once."

The trouble is that the "Knockee" won't do the right thing if told a hundred times.

This Association, which for so many years, has through the efforts of a few "knockers," done so much for the deaf as a class, is a good example of the beneficence of the "knockers'" art, and at the same time it stands as a monument to the apathy of the "knockee."

The "knocker" is here in Elmira to-day, and he was at the New York City meeting last year. The year before that he was in Rochester, and then way back in the vista of the years you can see him at Troy, Buffalo, Syracuse, Saragota, etc., etc., etc.

Rather far-fetched simile, I know, but I also know you gather my meaning.

Not always the same "Knocker," but always one of the same class of "Knockers." "Knockers" who can see something besides a little local club—"Knockers" who make allowances for limitations and weaknesses when they cannot overcome them; "Knockers" who do not begrudge a few dollars expended in helping carry on an organization in which they profit least of all, but which, on the other hand is intended to advance and elevate the "Knockee," ninety-nine times in a hundred.

Now unless I am very sadly mistaken, you will have to agree with me that when one tries to make out the "Knocker" as a very disagreeable personage, that the good points of the "Knocker" are all clearly in evidence, and it is small jealousy almost always that tries to make out that "knocking" is to be despised.

By his very work, he is open to all sorts of petty criticism, but what would you do without him?

"Knockers" get up organizations and keep them going, but the "Knockee" comes in and has his eyes constantly opened, because while he is wondering why this and that is as it is, or why it isn't, it never occurs to him to bring about a change for the better—he will sign a petition to bring something about, but when something is done, you can rest assured that some "Knocker" draws up the plea and makes the arguments.

In very rare instances it has occurred that in one organization there have been two sets of the genius "Knocker," with slightly different ideas, and there comes a clash which results in one of two things; either the forces come together so precisely on even terms that there is a rebound and differences are adjusted, or there is a smash up, just as there is when a vestibuled limited and a light ordinary train, going in opposite directions try to pass each other on the same track.

The burden of my paper is "Knock." Your landlord never comes to you to suggest that your parlor wall paper is out of date! You have to go to him and "knock," now, don't you?

If your pastor preaches too long and too vapid sermons, "knock!"

If the local club you belong to is listless and inactive, "knock!"

If your employer grinds you with "long" hours and short pay—"knock!"

But just here its well to run in a few words of admonition. When you "knock" him, "knock" him right. "Knock" admiration into him by beginning your work a little earlier and keeping at it a little later than you have been; "knock" astonishment into him by making material go a little further, or by making things a little better, or a little cheaper as the case may be. That's knocking of the right sort—and if you want a little book telling you more ways to "knock" so as to put you familiar to the great god Success, read Elbert Hubbard's "A Message to Garcia"—which by the way you can get free of cost from the New York Central's Passenger Department. No man who works for his living can help himself to a better understanding of the relation between employer and employee than by a study of this book written by the Grand Chief of the Grand Army of "Knockers."

If you find your children's education is not all that it should be, because of indifference or incapacity of teachers, "knock!" If you are being discriminated against unjustly in any sphere or phase of life, your only remedy in reason or in law is the everlasting and ever winning

Knock!

KNOCK!!

KNOCK!!!

Mr. Lounsbury made some pertinent and facetious comments on the foregoing paper, and then it was voted to be placed on file.

Announcement of the program of the Local Committee was made by Mr. Murray, after which Mr. Maynard delivered his paper, Rev. Dr. Chamberlain interpreting for the hearing people present:

A SOURCE FOR SELF-IMPROVEMENT.

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen:—The topic I have selected to speak upon has, I've every reason to believe, been discussed among you, individually and collectively, many times during the past thirty years. In looking over the records of these many years I find that interest has been taken in our Association by almost the same body of men that were prominent in its affairs at or near the beginning. Some of them are here to-day with you, laboring for the success of the Association with the same manifest interest exhibited over twenty years ago. Their ranks have been added to now and then, though with but very few true workers. The proportion of those attending our conventions and much less taking an active part in the Association have been very far below the ratio of graduates of our State Institutions. If this has been the case during the past two decades, when the instruction of the deaf in the Empire State was supposed to be in its highest glory, what will the ratio be in the future decades to come, now that the age when instruction can be afforded has been so changed that pupils graduate much earlier in life. How many of these can we honestly expect to take an interest in our Association until they have been out in the world for ten or more years after graduation, when experience will have taught them to see things in a different and truer light.

Likewise the records show that papers and addresses made before our Association have been confined to a mere handful of the deaf in the State, when there are doubtless hundreds of others who should be able to write and discuss interesting papers at our conventions. But it is probable that these hundreds find life anything but hard and toilsome, and because their souls are small and shriveled, they find their entire satisfaction in the tangible and the perishable, and do not care for things intellectual which would benefit them as a class.

The reason for periods of apathy may be apparent to you all, as history and experience unite in proving, that many intelligent deaf people in the State regard the Association as they would a process of evolution, knowing that it is bound to go on in some "mysterious" manner, quite apart from their efforts or responsibility, and thus make it an excuse to themselves for their inactivity. Now, it would appear that these deaf-mutes are mistaken in holding to such views, in that it conflicts with the first and most important elements of progress, and the best evidence of this is that if all the deaf in the Empire State were of their way of thinking, the affairs of the Association certainly would stand still or cease altogether.

When we look at this insensibility of the deaf toward the betterment of themselves, we come to the conclusion that something must be wrong. I believe that the Association is neither rightly nor strongly organized. At the last convention your president told you of the "petty jealousies" of the deaf in some sections of the State, of an "up-State clique," and of a "body of men from New York City," referring to them separately as dominating forces that controlled the affairs of the Association.

When the convention is held in the middle, eastern or western parts of the State, the officers elected are almost always residents of those quarters, and hence arises the complaint of cliques, when it would appear that such is not so, because very often the inducements held out to attend the conventions have been weak, and consequently on account of this many absent themselves who would make enthusiastic members and capable officers.

How best can we rid ourselves of these petty charges, "cliques," et al, and infuse interest and activity into the entire body of the deaf in the Empire State. From the view point of old and experienced members this would be a task instead of a pleasurable piece of work. There appear to be many plans of procedure and just as many remedies (on paper). But we must know that whatever changes come to us take their chief interest from their union with all that we have gone through in the past, and we know that our Association is continually undergoing a new phase, which gives to it its real value to us. With every effort we make to better the standing of our Association, so will these efforts contain the power of enriching, enlarging and improving the life and character of the deaf of the State, if they will continue the contribution and introduction of new elements into and toward strengthening the Association.

I contribute a suggestion toward this end and to do away with "cliques," that may have some virtue in it. From each county in the State in alphabetical order I

would advise the appointment of one or three organizers, who shall organize the deaf of their respective counties into chapters, these to be adjuncts of our main body, and to be designated by chapter numbers, for instance:—

EMPIRE STATE ASSOC'N OF DEAF-MUTES Oneida County Chapter, No. 16.

OR EMPIRE STATE ASSOC'N OF DEAF-MUTES Kings County Chapter, No. 5.

Into these chapters should be gathered the entire deaf population of the counties, and they could have officers of their own, and aside from their duties to the main body, could give entertainments, etc., to secure funds. Each year, when a convention is called, each chapter could send as many delegates as the funds would permit (maybe the entire chapter) and being prepared beforehand to lay important business, papers and ideas before the meeting, we could look for interesting proceedings and far better results at each annual convention.

The advantage of this plan would be that no two officers of the main body could be elected from a single chapter, and in apportioning the work to committees the same rule should be followed. This would do away forever with the hue and cry that the Association was run by a "clique." Each chapter would have several working committees on its list of officers also. With much of the work taken off the shoulders of a few and scattered broadcast on the heads of many, there could be no room for complaint or "cliques," and furthermore the sub-division of the work would serve in a large measure to claim the alert attention, enthusiasm and interest of many who would otherwise have but a mediocre amount of interest in the doings of the Association, and the different county chapters would exert, under combined effort, a powerful influence for good in upholding favorable legislation and condemning the unfavorable, because every State Senator and Assemblyman could be approached under this system, whereas now-a-days but few are spoken to when necessary; also securing work for the unemployed, deaf in the State through a knowledge of trade conditions in the various counties, etc.

Until we are thus strengthened, then, and only then, would our Association become worthy of being a valuable adjunct to the National Association of the Deaf, which is bound, sooner or later, to embrace all the State Associations into a great Federation of the Deaf, which will become a powerful factor in increasing the power and prestige of the organized deaf of the entire country.

The Committee on Resolutions reported through Chairman Fox, as follows:—

The Empire State Association of Deaf-Mutes assembled in convention at Elmira, N. Y., renews its allegiance to the cause of the deaf of all conditions and positions.

We reaffirm our honest belief in the efficacy of the Combined System as the safest, surest, and most humane guide to follow in the instruction of the deaf. It includes all things, proves all things, and holds fast only to what is good for the individual child.

WHEREAS, It is the inalienable right of every child in New York State to be educated at the public expense; and

WHEREAS, In the case of hearing children, no discrimination is made and no degrading admission is exacted as a prerequisite to the privilege of obtaining a free education in the Public Schools; therefore,

Resolved, That the Empire State Association of Deaf-Mutes, in convention assembled, denounce as unconstitutional, un-American, and un-Christian, the spirit and effort which seeks, by innuendo, to paralyze the deaf, by requiring a declaration of indigency as the price of obtaining the inestimable boon of a free education; and, further,

Resolved, That a transcript of the foregoing preamble and resolution be sent to Mr. James H. Tully, Commissioner of Charities, New York City, and to Corporation Counsel Delaney.

Resolved, That the State Commissioner of Public Instruction be asked to recommend to publishers of school books that the single hand alphabet, used by the American deaf, be incorporated in the spelling and reading books used in the public schools, as being a rapid and accurate means of communication between the deaf and those who hear.

Resolved, That, recognizing the beneficent work being accomplished by the Galaudet Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes, we commend this most worthy Home to the liberal contributions of the deaf and their friends.

All the above resolutions were unanimously adopted.

The Right Reverend Dr. Olmsted, Bishop of the Diocese, who was present at this session with several of the clergy, was invited to the platform, and, to the surprise of all, made a brief address by means of the manual alphabet. He said he was glad to be present at the convention, and have the opportunity to greet the delegates. He was much impressed by the good work of the Association, and commended the resolutions adopted, especially upon the education of deaf children.

President Hodgson made a fitting response.

Rev. Mr. Rudd, Rector of Grace Church, also made a few remarks.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following ticket, which was elected, each officer at one ballot and the Executive Committee by acclamation. Rev. C. O. Dantzer and Mr. George C. Sanders, both of Philadelphia, acted as tellers and received a vote of

OFFICERS.

Theodore I. Lounsbury, of New York, President.

E. P. Wood, of Rochester, Vice-President.

R. E. Maynard, of Yonkers, Secretary.

Frank Murray, of Elmira, Treasurer.

Executive Committee—E. A. Hodgson, A. L. Pach, Joseph Lever.

After prayer by the Rev. O. J. Whildin, of Baltimore, the convention adjourned sine die.

The headquarters of the Association was the Langwell Hotel, and every one spoke highly of the neatness, cleanliness, courtesies and cuisine of the hotel. Mr. M. Costello, who runs the cigar and news stand was indefatigable in his efforts to make it pleasant for the deaf-mutes, and Fred Priest, the jovial night clerk, was kindness and courtesy personified.

Mr. Geo. F. Flick, of Baltimore, took a group photograph of the delegates and others in front of the City Hall, after final adjournment.

Many of the delegates went to see the Elmira Reformatory on Friday afternoon.

A reception was held at Odd Fellows' Lyceum, on Friday evening, at which refreshments were served, and dancing enjoyed. This affair was attended by almost all the deaf visitors and delegates in town.

The picnic at Eldridge Park was greatly enjoyed by all who participated in it.

Let it not be forgotten that Frank Murray did herculean work as head of the Local Committee.

Those who made the trip from New York City via New York Central to Corning had a splendid time. They were Messrs. Kohlman, Bachrach and Hodgson, who left Wednesday morning, stayed over night at Syracuse, meeting Mr. James E. Doran, and making a call on Mrs. Lewis, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foster (nee Annie Lewis). Next morning they met Joseph Lever at the Syracuse station, and the quartet went together to Geneva, where they met and continued the journey to Corning with Messrs. Pach and Lounsbury. Dinner at Corning and on to Elmira just in time to promptly begin the opening session of the convention.

The following list, although incomplete, comprises the names of members and others in attendance:

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| Mr. A. F. Adams, Washington, D. C. | |
| Mrs. A. F. Adams | |
| Mr. Geo. Sanders, Philadelphia, Pa. | |
| Mrs. Geo. Sanders | |
| Adelaide L. Postel | |
| Jeanette King | |
| Rev. C. O. Dantzer | |
| Mr. E. A. Hodgson | New York |
| Mrs. E. A. Hodgson | |
| Beatrice Hodgson | |
| Florence Hodgson | |
| Dr. Thomas F. Fox | |
| Alexander L. Pach | |
| Theo. I. Lounsbury | |
| Edgar Bloom | |
| Henry Kohlman | |
| Arthur C. Bachrach | |
| Edward Elsworth | |
| Rev. John Chamberlain | |
| Rev. A. W. Mann, Cleveland, O. | |
| Rev. James H. Cloud, St. Louis, Mo. | |
| Rev. F. C. Smielan, Williamsport | |
| Evelyn P. Wood | Rochester |
| Paul H. Seekins | |
| Robert E. Maynard | Yonkers |
| Nellie Wright | Elmira |
| Frank Murray | |
| Mrs. Frank Murray | |
| Walter Alfred Murray | |
| Morris Knox | |
| Mrs. Morris Knox | |
| Henry Skinner | |
| Mrs. Henry Skinner | |
| Mrs. J. J. Howe | |
| Ethel Howe | |
| Joseph Devlin | |
| Mrs. Raymond Rixley | |
| Ella Humphrey | |
| Jacob Amuth | |
| William Walker | |
| James Elliott | |
| Patrick Quinn | Horseheads |
| Mrs. P. Quinn | |
| Mary Quinn | |
| Willis Denson | Corning |
| Martin Minkle | |
| G. M. Neff | Union |
| Myrtle Bois | Knoxville, Pa. |
| John Dougherty | Watkins |
| Mrs. John Dougherty | |
| Mrs. Phoebe Cuddeback | Lyons |
| Nellie Harris | Canistota |
| Gussie Peck | |
| Ralph M. Lawton | Little Valley |
| Claude A. Colgrove | Alfred Station |
| Bessie Fitch | Canton, Pa. |
| George W. Buck | Towanda, Pa. |
| Rev. O. J. Whildin, Baltimore, Md. | |
| George F. Flick | |
| J. P. Kennedy | Dushore, Pa. |
| Michael Manning | Owego |
| Charles D. Newton | |
| Joseph D. Lever | Ilion |
| Rev. H. Van Allen | Utica |
| Bishop Olmsted | |
| Charles Bennett | Sayre, Pa. |
| John L. Connerton | Geneva |
| Mrs. John Connerton | |
| Edith Gray | Binghamton |
| Mrs. Christy | Seranton, Pa. |

Services for Deaf-Mutes.

AUGUST, 1905.
27—10:30 A.M., St. Andrew's, Boston.
4:00 P.M., New England Home, Allston.
Services every Friday at 4:00 P.M., at New England Home, Allston.

S. STANLEY SEARING.
Diocesan Missionary to Deaf-Mutes,
604 Broadway, So. Boston, Mass.

FANWOOD.

Every fine morning finds the girls out walking in the yard with Miss Agnes Craig. It seems as though the Physical Culture fever has not loosened its grip on them. Mr. Edward Clearwater, head of the carpenter shop, is spending his vacation of two weeks at Asbury Park with his family.

The pupils remaining here were surprised to see the number of visitors that came here Sunday afternoon, viz: Messrs. Seandel, Ehnes, Zimmerman, and many others. A former Fanwood graduate, Mr. S. Tompeto, was here with an Austrian deaf-mute to see the sights.

Messrs. Hodgson and Maynard have returned from the Elmira Convention, Sunday. It is needless to add that they enjoyed themselves immensely, as they always manage to do. The stack of "copy" relating to the above mentioned convention will be attacked with renewed vigor.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Banks were at Niagara Falls and Buffalo, N. Y., two weeks ago. Mr. Banks is the valued engineer of our Institution.

Miss Ethel Howe, who is a pupil here, with her mother, attended the convention of the Empire State Association held in Elmira, N. Y., last week. Miss Howe is a resident of Elmira.

Harry Cooke, and his assistant painters, have been among the busiest all summer. The result will be seen by all when they return. Description is out of the question.

At the present writing, Miss Alice E. Judge is having the most enjoyable time of her life at Thousand Islands.

Mr. Arthur C. Bachrach called at the JOURNAL office Monday afternoon. In company with Editor Hodgson, he saw the Giants defeat Pittsburgh, the same afternoon.

Rain has retarded the progress of blasting the big rock in the boys' yard, but it is hoped the job will be completed before school re-opens, September 20th.

Mr. Albert V. Ballin was here last week. He was at the seashore with his two daughters for a few days last week. He is an artist, and we understand has plenty of orders on hand. He lives not far from the Institution.

Mr. William Liggins, the valued employee of Tiffany & Co., was a caller on Wednesday last.

C. L.

ALLENTOWN, PA.

The annual picnic of the Allentown Deaf-Mute Mission was held last Saturday, August 12th, at Dorney Park. An account of the inclement weather the attendance was not so large as was expected. Fifty noses were counted and following are the names who had an enjoyable time: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. T. Bradbury, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver N. Krause, Messrs. Geo. W. Andrews, William Fernekees, Harry Fernekees, Harry Heiser, Wm. Leinberry, Geo. Lentz, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Miller, Allentown, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Keck and Miss Jennie Weirbach, Linneport, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hagy, Frankford.

William and Ed. Litzenger, Cetrionia, John and Chas. Schantz, Katie Ziegenfuss and Ella Walters, Westcoesville, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Price, Easton; Mr. and Mrs. Riegel, Riegelsville, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sinclair, Phillipsburg; N. Y.; Misses Lillian and Florence Freed, Souderton, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Young and Miss Lottie Schoenherr, Catsauqua, Wm. Savage and Miss Buzban, Philadelphia; Maggie Dorney, Dorneyville; Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Haney and Cornelius Werkheiser, South Bethlehem; Laura Geist, Breinigsville; Harvey Peter, Slatington; Thomas Williams, Summit Hill; Roger and Alvin Williams, Reading; Daniel Heobner, Hendricks; Ida Kemmerer, Best; Mrs. Elmer Clemmer, North Wales.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hagy were the guests of William Fernekees over Sunday. The former has gone home while the latter stays for a few weeks here with the Fernekees.

Thos. Williams, of Summit Hill, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver N. Krause, last Sunday. He reports that his friend, Warren McCready, of the same place, has secured a good position in a large grocery store as clerk there, after discharging two dishonest clerks.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Keck, formerly of Allentown, but now of Linneport, spent a few days with the latter's parents, the Litzengers. Milton is assisting his father at farming and is doing very well. He is thinking of buying a small farm of 31 acres, adjoining his father's, if he can sell his own house here.

O. K.

A SOCIABLE.

There will be a deaf-mute gathering at the home of Sylvester Horton, at Bradford, Sheshequin Co., Pa., on August 27th. Mr. Randal Douglas, formerly of New York, will photograph the party in a group. All deaf-mutes of Elmira, Owego and surrounding towns are invited. Accommodations free.

CHARLES R. BENNETT.

MARRIED—At Olney, Ill., August 15th

Belinda's Views.

"If it were not for the men," said Belinda, oracularly, "there would be no marriages."

"Naturally," returned Phyllis, unimpressed.

"I mean," continued Belinda, with dignity, "that if the men did not insist, no woman would marry."

"Oh," said Phyllis, opening her eyes very wide.

"Shakespeare," Belinda went on in her most seriously augmentative tone, "knew nothing about it."

Phyllis does not belong to the Shakespeare club, and so she remained silent.

"What was it about Anna Hathaway?" she hazarded finally, remembering the pretty little picture of the Hathaway cottage Belinda had given her.

"No, indeed, it was not," said Belinda. "It was Rosalind, and of course I just dote on Shakespeare, and the club is too sweet for anything, and I wouldn't go to bed a night in my life without reading just a line or two from the 'Merchant of Venice,' or a weeny bit of 'Julius Caesar,' and one New Year's night I came home from a party and read a whole chapter of 'Titus Andronicus,' when I was so sleepy I didn't know a word I read, but I think it is too mean about Rosalind, for she wasn't the kind of girl to say that at all."

"No, of course not," said Phyllis, sympathetically. "You mean about marriage?"

"Yes," said Belinda, "it's one of those famous parts of 'As You Like It,' you know, about time ambling and trotting and galloping—and—and, well it just implies that all girls are anxious to get married, and you know that isn't true, is it?"

"N—no," replied Phyllis.

"That catching-the-car story is very rue."

"Catching-the-what, Belinda?" asked Phyllis, confused.

"Why, there was a poor woman who got so sad because she said she knew her husband didn't love her any more because he didn't kiss her as he used to before she was married. I'd just like to catch Tom acting like that."

"Well, she was as sad as she could be, but her husband said it was all right, and he did love her just as much, only he said, you see, it is just like catching the car."

"Oh!" said Phyllis.

"That was funny, wasn't it? 'You see,' said the horrid man, 'when I am trying to catch the car I run for it and make a great hullabaloo and wave my stick at the motorman. But when I get in I sit down quietly and read my paper. That is the way it is about matrimony. I am just as much interested in the car though I don't go waving my stick after I have caught it. It is just the same with my wife, though I think just as much of her as I did before I was married.'"

"Now, I think that's a perfectly horrid story, and that was a very horrid man, and the worst of it is, it certainly is true."

Belinda lowered her voice, a horrified look came over her face, and Phyllis looked sad in sympathy.

"Now, that is just what I mean about girls getting married," and Belinda spoke seriously and solemnly. "Every man in the world is just bound to catch the car, and every girl would just like to keep him running after it all day and all night, for ever and ever, and never catching it." Belinda drew a long breath.

"Of course I don't mean that any girl would be mean, but she would like to keep him going along at just a comfortable for trot. But do you suppose a man would? Not a bit of it. No, sir-ee. He wants to catch the car, and he wants to catch pretty it quickly, and if he doesn't—well, he just goes and catches another car. That's just what a man will do every time."

"You see, a girl likes to have a man come to see her, and it's very nice if he takes her out sometimes, and of course every girl likes a little candy once in awhile, and a few flowers, and it is pleasant to have some one always ready to dance with you, and the girl will be just as nice and sweet and polite as she can be, and wear her prettiest gowns when she goes out, because a man does like to be seen with a girl who dresses well. Oh, she would be very nice to him, indeed."

"She would not even mind being engaged. It is rather nice to be engaged and wear a ring, and then of course you can go out more, and then you like to hear people whisper that that pretty Miss—er—er—Miss Smith is engaged to that handsome Tom—er—er—Brown. It gives you a little standing, and makes people think a little more of you."

"That's just the way a girl would like to go along in a nice, pleasant way, making the man have just as pleasant a time as she can. But there isn't one man in a thousand who is satisfied."

"I don't like to think so, Phyllis, but I am afraid men are just a teeny, weeny bit selfish. They will only go on with the flowers and the candy and all that for only just so long. Then a girl must say a plump 'yes' or 'no,' and then she is engaged, and she can't even stay engaged, but she must set the day for the wedding, and then, you see, the man has caught the car, and there are no more flowers, no more candy,

no more—well, if Tom forgets anything else there'll be trouble.

"There was that case of Bella Bronson right in our own set. Bella is so pretty! And Dick Jenkins was just dead in love with her! I must say Bella was very nice to him. She went almost everywhere with him, and wore his flowers, and read the books he brought to her, and she was just having a lovely time, and it might have gone on till now, only Dick wouldn't."

"Bella liked him awfully well, but not quite well enough to be engaged to him. So when he proposed she said, 'no' but she would like to be good friends and all that, and she hoped it would all be just as it was before, only nicer, because they would both understand. But what did the man do?"

"Why, he went right off in a huff and married that new girl who came to town, and I must say they seem very happy, only it was too bad he couldn't have been contented to be just a good friend with Bella, for she is about the nicest girl I know of. It is very hard to understand men," and Belinda sighed.

"But I thought you were very anxious to go to housekeeping in your little flat, Belinda," said Phyllis.

"Why, that's quite different," said Belinda, with dignity. "We have the flat all furnished, and it is such a dear, cunning little place it will be just like a doll's house, and I always did love to play in a doll's house. And then Tom says I don't know how to cook and I just want to show him that it's as easy as easy can be, and that you don't have to study it as you do to be a doctor or a lawyer."

"Oh, yes, that's quite different," said Belinda.—*New York Times.*

CONCERNING PROCTOR'S THEATRES.

WEEK OF AUGUST 28TH.

Mr. Edwin Arden will appear as the star in his own play, "Zorah," at Proctor's 125th Street Theatre during the week of August 28th. In his support will be Paul McAllister as John Orville Slaughter; James E. Wilson, as Michael Petroff; Sol Aiken as Benjamin Smith; Robert L. Hill as Feodor Radovna; Wilton Taylor as Mordecai Strakosch; Victoria Addison as Zorah Strakosch; Frances Starr as Wilhelmina Smith, and fifty others. The production will be a memorable one from a scenic standpoint. "Zorah" was used on a starring tour several years ago by Mr. Arden and now, since Russia has been in the public eye, the play has taken on a new phase of life and its revival is timely. It is a thrilling recital of Russia's relentless persecution of the Jews, and the drama, while in a sombre key, commands the closest attention.

Henry Miller, whom F. F. Proctor induced to enter vaudeville, will play a return engagement, and bid farewell to that field at Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre, during the week of August 28th. The vehicle, which Mr. Miller will use, entitled, "Frederick Lemaître," was written by Clyde Fitch. Miss Laura Hope Crews, who will assist Mr. Miller, is an old favorite with the Twenty-third Street Theatre patrons. Katie Barry is continued as one of the leading attractions, due to her remarkable success of last week. This clever little comedienne, who was the life of "Fantana," drew crowded houses to every performance at Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre last week. Havemann's Original Animal School, freshly imported from Europe, will form an important part of the week's bill. Moore and Littlefield will be seen in "Change Your Act," or "Back to the Woods." This is their last week in vaudeville.

Ibsen will be served to the Proctor patrons for the first time during the week of August 28th, at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, the tempting morsel being, "A Doll's House," for the leading part in which Miss Florence Rockwell has been especially engaged. The cast will include the following members of the regular Fifth Avenue Stock Company: Mr. J. H. Gilmour, Mr. Geoffrey Stein, Mr. Harold Hartwell, Mr. Albert Veazie, Miss Eleanor Moretti, Miss Ethel Conroy, Miss Mary Bertrand and others. This will be the last attraction of September 4th, with Amelia Bingham, Charles Richman, Gertrude Coghlan, J. H. Gilmour and the other members of the new all star stock company, in a revival of "The Frisky Mrs. Johnson."

Drawn by horses, which have seen service in the New York Fire Department, a real fire engine will play an important part in "The Still Alarm" at Proctor's 58th Street Theatre during the week of August 28th. The original scenery will be used, and the large cast will include, Mr. James Durkin, Miss Adele Bloch, Mr. Harold Hartwell, Miss Agnes Scott, Mr. Charles Arthur, Mr. William Norton, Mr. George Howell and the other 58th Street favorites.

Barker—Gruet is a queer fellow. Carker—Yes. He heard it was a good plan to soak the feet, so he pawned his wooden leg.—*Judge.*

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